

FISCAL NOTE

HB 99 - SB 620

March 16, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes local education agencies to enter into agreements with post-secondary educational institutions to establish cooperative programs targeting at-risk students and students who would benefit from accelerated academic instruction.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures –
Exceeds \$100,000/Permissive

Other Fiscal Impact – Local education agencies (LEAs) and post-secondary institutions have discretion whether to enter into cooperative agreements. Any decision by a post-secondary school to enter into an agreement will be voluntary and will not be required based upon a request from an LEA. If an LEA and an institution enter into an agreement, the institution will incur potential costs for curriculum development and review, additional compensation for professors, supplies, and related items. The division of these costs between the LEAs and the institutions is subject to negotiation and agreement. The amount of any costs incurred by public post-secondary institutions is therefore permissive and depends on the number of cooperative agreements and their structure. The amount of such permissive costs cannot reasonably be quantified.

Assumptions:

- Bill encourages the "shared use of resources, personnel, and facilities." Costs will be divided between LEAs and post-secondary institutions in a manner that will vary with each cooperative agreement.
- Neither LEAs nor post-secondary institutions have the right to compel any entity to enter into a cooperative agreement.
- The cost impact of a cooperative program on high school graduation and post-secondary enrollment and graduation will vary depending on a multitude of factors, many of which are not related to the cooperative

program. Thus, no cost or cost savings can be estimated from the indirect impact of such programs on enrollment and graduation.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director